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Shellfish Harvesting Area Classification-Notification of Changes

May 16, 2016

Ladies and Gentlemen:

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Under the authority of Maine statute 12 M.R.S.A., Chapter 607, Section 6172; the Commissioner has made the following classification change to Area No. 50, Sorrento and Sullivan Harbor (Sullivan): This notice changes the area in Sullivan Harbor from Conditionally Approved to Approved based on water quality meeting approved standards year round. This notice also makes administrative changes to the headings and numbering of pre-existing areas. All existing pollution and red tide/PSP closures remain in effect.

The boundary descriptions of the area are as follows (struck text is being removed and underlined text is being added):

- A. Effective immediately, because of pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters or mussels taken from the shores, flats and waters of the following Prohibited area(s):
 - 1. Back Cove (Sorrento): east of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the shore at the western tip of Van Duesen Point, running southeast to the western tip of Huber Point, then running southwest to a red painted post located on the shore approximately 400 yards east of the northern tip of Wilson Point.
- <u>D.</u> <u>B.</u> Effective immediately, because of the proximity to a marina, the shores, flats and waters of seasonal pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters or mussels from the shores, flats and waters of the following Conditionally Approved area(s) during the closed dates:
 - 1. Sorrento Harbor (Sorrento): west of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the shore at the eastern tip of Doans Point, running south to the eastern tip of Preble Island; AND east of a line beginning at the western most tip of Bean Point, running south to the western tip of Dram Island; AND north of a line beginning at the eastern tip of Dram Island, running east to the western tip of Preble Island.; has been classified as "Conditionally Approved" and it shall be closed to the harvest of clams, quahogs, oysters or mussels This area is closed from May 1 through September 30.
- C. Effective immediately, because of seasonal non point source pollution, the shores flats and waters of Sullivan Harbor (Sullivan), north of a line beginning on the shore at the stairs located at # 2 Miramar Avenue, running southeast to the northern tip of Little Island, then running due east to the nearest point of land on the mainland; has been classified as "Conditionally Approved" and it shall be closed to the harvest of clams, quahogs, oysters or mussels from May 1 through October 31.

If you have questions, please contact Angel Ripley or Kohl Kanwit, Department of Marine Resources, 194 McKown Point Road, West Boothbay Harbor, Maine 04575-0008, Tel: (207) 633-9515 or (207) 633-9535, Email: angel.ripley@maine.gov or Kohl.Kanwit@maine.gov. During weekends/holidays, contact the appropriate State Police barracks: from New Hampshire border to Brunswick, barracks 1-800-228-0857; from Cushing/Boothbay to Lincolnville/Belfast area, barracks 1-800-452-4664; from Belfast to Canadian border, barracks 1-800-432-7381. This notice can be viewed on the Department's website at:

 $\frac{http://www.maine.gov/dmr/rm/public\ health/closures/closedarea.htm}{HOTLINE\ (207-624-7727\ OR\ 1-800-232-4733)}.$

Sincerely,

David W. Miller

Eastern Maine Growing Area Commissioner's Designee

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9:30 AM (Effective Time)



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